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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas D. Watkins, Jr., Chairman

SUBJECT: Report on Modifications to the Previously Approved Copper Country and Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Special Education Plans

Pursuant to Section 380.1711 of the School Code of 1976, each intermediate school district (ISD) must develop, establish, continually evaluate, and modify its Plan for the delivery of special education programs and services. Approval of the Plan indicates that ISDs' and local constituent districts' special education programs and services described in the Plan meet standards which are consistent with federal and state requirements. Approval also allows ISDs to receive reimbursement pursuant to the State School Aid Act.

Any intervening modification of a previously approved ISD Plan must also receive approval.

Staff has reviewed, and the Superintendent has approved, modifications to the previously approved Copper Country and Mecosta-Osceola ISD Plans.

Copper Country ISD

The modification to the Copper Country ISD Plan pertains to Rule 340.1832(e) Continuum of Special Education Programs and Services, which will allow districts to add students to existing programs and to provide flexibility for assigning special education teachers with certification in any area to these programs.

Mecosta-Osceola ISD

The modification to the Mecosta-Osceola ISD Plan pertains to Part 6 Financing of the Revised Administrative Rules for Special Education. The change reflects the financing for any additional buildings required for providing special education.

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ATTACHMENT A

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT PLAN MODIFICATION

**Summary of Intermediate School District
Request for Modification
of its Intermediate School District
Special Education Plan**

<u>I.S.D.</u>	<u>Number of Modifications</u>	<u>School Years</u>
Copper Country		2001-2004
Mecosta-Osceola		2001-2004